



United States Liberty Bell Rings for Freedom from Pollution; Liberty Bell Pavilion Powered by Green-e Certified Renewable Electricity

PHILADELPHIA--(BUSINESS WIRE)--March 24, 2000--The Center for Resource Solutions (CRS) announced today that the Liberty Bell will be powered by Green-e certified renewable power.

The power, EcoChoice 100, is electricity from 100% renewable resources, provided by the Energy Cooperative of Pennsylvania. Green-e certified EcoChoice will power the Liberty Bell Pavilion as well as the Croydon EPA facility and six other federal government locations in the Philadelphia area.

"By purchasing renewable power for the Liberty Bell Pavilion, Pennsylvania has set a high bar for how other State and Federal Agencies can demonstrate their support for cleaner energy, in a visible and tangible fashion," said Jan Hamrin, executive director of CRS.

The Liberty Bell Pavilion's EcoChoice decision is the first federal government award for renewable power in Pennsylvania. "We hope this award is just the beginning," said Nadia Adawi, the cooperative's director of Conservation and Renewable Energy.

"The renewable energy market has grown enormously since deregulation opened the way for individuals to choose where their power comes from. We pledge to do our part to make reasonably priced, renewable energy a choice every consumer can make. We hope this award makes more consumers aware that their choice of an electricity supplier can make a difference for the environment."

Not only is the Liberty Bell powered by 100% renewable electricity but EcoChoice is guaranteed to meet strict environmental and consumer protection standards, by the Green-e Program. For an electricity option like EcoChoice 100 to receive Green-e certification, at least half of the offering must come from eligible renewable resources such as wind, solar, geothermal, biomass or small hydro projects.

Any non-renewables used to supply the electricity must result in less air pollution than Pennsylvania's default power mix, and none of the electricity for the product can be specifically purchased from a nuclear facility.

In addition, the Cooperative agrees to abide by the Green-e Code of Conduct governing its customer treatment and marketing materials; and to undergo an annual verification process documenting that they have purchased enough renewable electricity to meet EcoChoice 100 marketing claims.

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The Green-e program is administered by the Center for Resource Solutions (CRS); a non-profit organization dedicated to energy, economic and environmental sustainability. CRS manages national and international programs that preserve and protect the environment through the design of innovative strategies and increased utilization of appropriate technologies. Dr. Jan Hamrin is the founder and serves as the organization's executive director.

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